

I am deeply concerned by the way corporations are destroying the public airwaves by swallowing up control of the media. We need to return to the pre-1996 Telecommunications Act caps on radio ownership. Big companies are getting bigger, killing locally owned and operated radio and television stations. Legalized payola kills diversity on the airwaves and I'm sick of hearing the same computer-generated songs three times an hour on Clear Channel stations. Musical artists are being bullied into trading creativity for airplay. Local DJs are disappearing, being replaced by pre-recorded strangers to my community. America used to be about freedom. Now it's about whoever can BUY freedom. Respect the rights and freedoms that Americans value and ignore the demands of moneyed interests such as Clear Channel and Infinity Broadcasting.